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1. In view of the political changes published by the East German Government on 5 June 1953, all building projects not included in the Five-Year Plan have been stopped. The Bau-Union Nord, which was the chief building firm, has been dissolved.
2. The Glowe-Ruegen project is included in this decision by a special government order of 12 June 1953. By 31 August 1953, the building site must be evacuated and all building installations at the Glowe scene must be dismantled. The existing apartment A within the town and C near Bobbin are to remain and are to be used for a children's vacation camp. The whole machinery pool, including the staff employed there, is to be divided among the different Bau Unionen.
3. The dismantling of the large plant and building site installations is being largely carried out by convicts. Nothing is known of the possible move of the convict camp, which has 3,500 occupants.
4. Excavating was suddenly stopped on 12 June and the only work still in progress is reinforcing danger points connected with steep or overhanging slopes.
5. Because of the change of policy in the whole building industry of East Germany, the main building assignment now is the building of houses. All building projects inaugurated by the Ministry of the Interior, as the provider of the funds, have been cancelled. The only exceptions to this are building projects being done directly for the Soviet occupation forces, which are to be carried out as important assignments with the same target dates as before.
6. The building project of the Bau Union Nordost in Torgelow-Eggesin is to continue, although even here the building of houses takes precedence.

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7. The same applies to the Steel and Rolling Works at Fuerstenberg. Industrial building which formerly had priority has been considerably reduced in favor of the building of houses.

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